

**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DIVISION OF WATER AND AUDITS**

Advice Letter Cover Sheet

Utility Name: THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY, INC.	Date Mailed to Service List: 03/30/21
District:	
CPUC Utility #: WTC - 126	Protest Deadline (20th Day): 04/19/21
Advice Letter #: 107	Review Deadline (30th Day): 04/29/21
Tier <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compliance	Requested Effective Date: 04/01/21
Authorization Compliance with Executive Director March 17, 2021 Instructions	
Description: Extension of Emergency Disaster Customer Protections – COVID19	Rate Impact: \$0 0%

The protest or response deadline for this advice letter is 20 days from the date that this advice letter was mailed to the service list. Please see the "Response or Protest" section in the advice letter for more information.

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
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APPROVED WITHDRAWN REJECTED

Signature: _____ **Comments:** _____

Date: _____ _____

THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY, INC.
Sonoma County

March 30, 2021

ADVICE LETTER No. 107

TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY (TSRWC) hereby transmits for filing one original and one copy each of the following tariffs schedules which are attached hereto:

The present rates of TSRWC became effective on December 31, 2020, through Advice letter No. 106, which approved a Consumer Price Index Increase of \$58,250 for year 2019. The last general rate increase was effective on October 11, 2012 pursuant to Resolution No.W-4931, which authorized a general rate increase of \$697,677 or 57.08% for test year 2012, an increase of \$577,647 or 30.09% for escalation year 2013, and a revenue decrease of \$63,415 or -2.54% for escalation year 2014.

Summary

This advice letter is filed in compliance with California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Executive Director Rachel Peterson March 17, 2021 Letter to Class C, D Water and Sewer utilities directing all Class C and D water and sewer utilities to extend the Emergency Customer Protections to June 30, 2021 and keep the Catastrophic Event Memorandum Account (CEMA – COVID-19) open until June 30, 2021.

Background

On March 26, 2020 the previous Executive Director issued a letter to all Class C, D Water and Sewer utilities stating that the Commission expects the utilities to extend customer protections to customer affect by the COVID – 19 pandemic. This Emergency Customer Protections apply to customers for up to one year from April 16, 2020.

On March 23, 2020 TSRWC filed Advice Letter No. 104-A with the Commission which reported on all customer protection measures the utility had implemented in response to COVID-19 and to activate its CEMA to track any costs related to COVID-19. These customer protections included suspending disconnection of water service for customers as well as waiving late fees for bills due during the public health crises. To protect the Public Health and in compliance with Resolution M-4849, TSRWC will extend these customer protections and appropriate memorandum account to June 30, 2021. TSRWC customer service representatives shall work with customer who contact TSRWC and advise that, due to COVID-19, they are having difficulty paying their bills.

Requested Effective Date

This filing is a Tier 1 advice letter and is effective the date of filing. TSRWC respectfully requests approval of AL - 107 be April 1, 2021.

Notice

In compliance with Section 4.3 of General Order No. 96-B, a copy of this advice letter has been mailed to all parties listed on the enclosed service list. In conformance with Ordering Paragraph No. 3 of Resolution No. W-4664, TSRWC will provide notice to its customers of the increase in dollar and percentage terms with the first bill that includes the increase.

This filing is made under the provisions of General Order No. 96-B.

This filing will not cause withdrawal of service nor conflict with any other schedule or rule.

Response or Protest

Anyone may respond to or protest this advice letter. A response supports the filing and may contain information that proves useful to the Commission in evaluating the advice letter. A protest objects to the advice letter in whole or in part and must set forth the specific grounds on which it is based. These grounds are:

- (1) The utility did not properly serve or give notice of the advice letter;
- (2) The relief requested in the advice letter would violate statute or Commission order, or is not authorized by statute or Commission order on which the utility relies;
- (3) The analysis, calculations, or data in the advice letter contain material error or omissions;
- (4) The relief requested in the advice letter is pending before the Commission in a formal proceeding; or
- (5) The relief requested in the advice letter requires consideration in a formal hearing, or is otherwise inappropriate for the advice letter process; or
- (6) The relief requested in the advice letter is unjust, unreasonable, or discriminatory (provided that such a protest may not be made where it would require relitigating a Prior order of the Commission).

A protest shall provide citations or proofs where available to allow staff to properly consider the protest.

A response or protest must be made in writing or by electronic mail and must be received by the Water Division within 20 days of the date this advice letter is filed. The address for mailing or delivering a protest is:

Tariff Unit, Water Division, 3rd Floor
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
E-Mail: water_division@cpuc.ca.gov


On the same day the response or protest is submitted to the Water Division, the respondent or protestant shall send a copy of the protest by mail or e-mail to us, addressed to:

The Sea Ranch Water Company, Inc.
P.O. Box 16
The Sea Ranch, CA 95497
Phone No. (707) 785-2444

Cities and counties that need Board of Supervisors or Board of Commissioners approval to protest should inform the Water Division, within the 20 day protest period, so that a late filed protest can be entertained. The informing document should include an estimate of the date the proposed protest might be voted on.

Replies: The utility shall reply to each protest and may reply to any response. Each reply must be received by the Division of Water and Audits within five business days after the end of the protest period, and shall be served on the same day to the person who filed the protest or response.

The Sea Ranch Water Company, Inc.

By 
Ellen Buechner
Chief Financial Officer

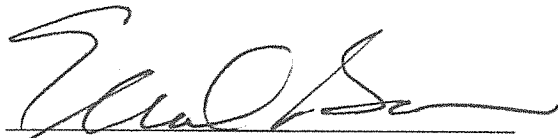
Attachments

The Sea Ranch Water Company, Inc.
P.O. Box 16
The Sea Ranch, CA 95468

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy via first class United States mail and electronic mail of the following document, The Sea Ranch Water Company, Inc. Advice Letter No. 107, upon the California Public Utilities Commission as shown on the Service List attached hereto, a copy thereof properly addressed to each party. Additionally, I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy via first class United States mail of the following document, The Sea Ranch Water Company, Inc. Advice Letter No. 107, upon all additional parties as shown on the Service List attached hereto, a copy thereof properly addressed to each party.

Executed in The Sea Ranch, California on the 30th day of March, 2021.



Ellen Buechner
Chief Financial Officer